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DEVICE

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312

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SIR:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated July 2, 2007, please note the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.